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Prior to calculating the fee due for the above-identified application and prior to the first Office Action, please amend the above-identified application, as follows:

In the claims

Please amend claims 4, 5, 6, and 12 to place the claims in more suitable form for US prosecution.

In the claims

4 (Amended) A sensing device according to claim 1, wherein the body further comprises a releasable connection which allows the body to be secured to another structure within the wellbore ready for release to begin data acquisition.

5. (Amended) A sensing device according to claim 1, wherein the body is provided with a fluid inlet to allow samples of fluid to be collected by the acquisition means during travel of the body through fluid.